

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (*withdrawn*) A rinse-out non-emulsion hair-care composition comprising (a) a silicone elastomer selected from the group consisting of crosslinked silicone elastomers and silicone elastomer powders, the silicone elastomer being present in an amount effective to deposit a sebum-absorbing level of said crosslinked silicone elastomer on the hair or scalp after the composition has been applied to the hair or scalp; (b) a water dispersible or water soluble ethoxylated ester; (c) at least one surfactant selected from the group consisting of anionic, nonionic, cationic, amphoteric, zwitterionic, and ampholytic surfactants present in an amount effective to provide its intended benefit, and (d) at least about 20 wt % water.

2. (*withdrawn*) The composition of claim 1, wherein said silicone elastomer is a dimethicone crosspolymer, an organopolysiloxane, a dimethicone/vinyl dimethicone crosspolymer, a dimethicone copolyol cross polymer, and any combination thereof.

3. (*withdrawn*) The composition of claim 2, wherein the ethoxylated ester is present in an amount of from about 0.1 to 20 wt %, based on the total weight of the composition, the ester having an HLB of about 8.5 and above.

4. (*withdrawn*) The composition of claim 3, wherein the HLB of the ester is about 10 and above.

5. (*withdrawn*) The composition or claim 3, wherein the ester is selected from the group consisting of PEG-7 oliveate, PEG-7 glyceryl cocoate, PEG-9 cocoglyceride, PEG/PPG-8/3 laurate, PEG/PPG-8/3 diisostearate, triglyceriol laurate, glycereth-26 trioctanoate, polyglycerol-3 laurate, sucrose

laurate, sucrose palmitate, sucrose stearate, and dimethicone copolyol undecylenate.

6. (*withdrawn*) The composition of claim 4, wherein the ethoxylated ester is selected from the group consisting of PEG-7 glyceryl cocoate, PEG/PPG-8/3 laurate, PEG/PPG-8/3 diisostearate, triglyceriol laurate, and sucrose stearate.

7. (*withdrawn*) The composition of claim 5, wherein the ester is present in an amount of from about 0.1 to about 5 wt %.

8. (*withdrawn*) The composition of claim 3, wherein the silicone elastomer is present in an amount of from about 0.01 to about 5 wt %, by weight of the total composition.

9. (*withdrawn*) The composition of claim 1, comprising from about 5 to about 30 wt % of a surfactant selected from the group consisting of anionic and nonionic surfactants.

10. (*withdrawn*) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is a shampoo.

11. (*withdrawn*) The composition of claim 1, comprising from about 0.1 to about 20 wt % of a surfactant selected from the group consisting of cationic, amphoteric and zwitterionic surfactants.

12. (*withdrawn*) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is a hair conditioner.

13-14. (*cancelled*)

15. (*currently amended*) The method of claim 24 ~~26~~, wherein the ester is present in an amount of from about 0.1 to 5 wt %.

16. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 15, wherein the HLB of the ester is about 10 and above.

17-18. *(cancelled)*

19. *(currently amended)* The method of claim 15, wherein the silicone elastomer is present in an amount of from about 0.01 to ~~about~~ 1 wt %, by weight of the total composition.

20. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 24, comprising from about 5 to about 30 wt % of a surfactant selected from the group consisting of anionic and nonionic surfactants.

21. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 20, wherein the hair care composition is a shampoo.

22. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 24 comprising from about 0.1 to about 20 wt % of a surfactant selected from the group consisting of cationic, amphoteric and zwitterionic surfactants.

23. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 22, wherein the hair care composition is a conditioner.

24. *(currently amended)* A method of treating hair to deter the buildup of sebum on the surface of the hair, comprising:

applying to scalp hair a rinse-out hair-care composition comprising by weight of the composition (a) from about 0.01 to about 5 wt % of a dimethicone/vinyl dimethicone crosspolymer; (b) at least one water dispersible or water soluble ester selected from the group consisting of PEG-7 glyceryl cocoate, PEG/PPG-8/3 laurate, polyglycerol-3 laurate, and sucrose laurate, the ester being present in an amount of from about 0.1 to 20 wt %, the ester having an HLB of about 10 and

above; (c) at least one surfactant selected from the group consisting of anionic, nonionic, cationic, amphoteric, zwitterionic, and ampholytic surfactants, and (d) at least about 20 wt % water; and thereafter rinsing the hair to remove said composition.

25-28. *(cancelled)*

29. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 24, wherein the ester is PEG-7 glyceryl cocoate.

30. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 24, wherein the ester is PEG/PPG-8/3 laurate.

31. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 24, wherein the ester is polyglycerol-3 laurate.

32. *(previously presented)* The method of claim 24, wherein the ester is sucrose laurate.